

Lewis Tappan, Aug. 8. 1844

New York, August 8/44.

Dear Brother Phelps,

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Yours of the 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> are received.

I am surprised to learn that there were "several pretty serious errors" in the U. M. 202. I read over the proofs carefully, with Mr Weed, & read the revision myself. Since the receipt of your letter I have seen Mr Benedict. The types are not distributed & he will print another 1000 for \$9. If you think it worth while to send a correction of the errors I will have 1000 copies struck off, but it must be done forthwith.

I thought your letter you speak of the "Union

Missionary Herald" a very good name, but not ours.

The regular meeting of the Ex. Com. of the U. M. S. is to be this evening. I will lay your letter before the Com. and afterwards write to you.

Rev. George Trask offers his services, through S. P. Andrews, eq. to go to Kentucky, & preach on the sinfulness of slavery. What think you of this, & of the man?

E. W. Jr. ought to be with his family, by all means. But what he can do to most advantage I am not able now to suggest. He has most sorts of sense but one. We must cudgel our brains to devise some-thing for him.

I have sent Mr Leavitt an Evening Post, printed a few days since, containing, on the 1st page, an excellent article on Repudiation sent to me by E. W. Jr. His letters to England also are well done.

Truly suffering yours

Lewis Tappan

The religious & other papers, of all denominations & parties, ought to contain short & pithy articles on the mischievous doctrine now afloat, "if two evils choose the least", i.e. if two bad men take the least bad. Very many & many abolitionists are carried away with this sophism of hell. It is taught in our colleges, Theo. seminaries, everywhere. It is the ruling policy of church & state. Would you try your hand in the Recorder?

We have letters from Mr Raymond dated New-mead 21st all pretty well. Has planted the Standard of the Cross with encouraging prospects.

Will you get them to send the C. Reflector to the Union Missionary & exchange? Including 2 or 3 of the latest.



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